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"Acquisition Career Management Mandatory Course Fulfillment Program and Competency Standards"

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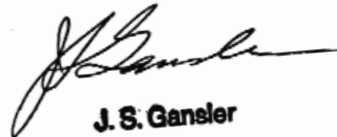TECHNOLOGY

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Reinstatement of ADS 97-03-GD, Department of Defense "Acquisition Career Management Mandatory Course Fulfillment Program and Competency Standards"

Pursuant to Section 8147 of Public Law 105-262 (FY 1999 Defense Appropriations Act) of October 17, 1998, I am reinstating ADS 97-03-GD (January 1997), "Acquisition Career Management Mandatory Course Fulfillment and Competency Standards," as ADS 99-03-GD, effective immediately. Procedures to request, review, and approve fulfillment actions are attached. ADS 99-03-GD includes the policy, the procedures, DD Form 2518, and the course competencies. This information will be available on the Defense Acquisition University world-wide-website (http://www.acq.osd.mil) and will not be published as a document.

The fulfillment program enables members of the acquisition workforce to receive credit for mandatory Defense Acquisition University (DAU) courses for which they are able to demonstrate competency through experience, education, and/or alternative training. Course participation, however, remains the preferred method.

The Director, Acquisition Education, Training and Career Development (AET&CD) within the Office of the Secretary of Defense is delegated responsibility for the integrity of the fulfillment program. The Directors, Acquisition Career Management, will periodically review selected approved fulfillment packages. DAU will update changes in course competencies and, also, conduct periodic reviews of the program to assess its net benefit from an academic perspective. The Heads of the DoD Components may issue instructions necessary to implement this program.

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Attachment